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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hiroshi SONOBE

Group Art Unit: 2133

Serial No.: 09/557,088

Examiner: Matthew C. Dooley

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period having expired <u>December 23, 2003</u>, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for <u>three (3)</u> months. There is also attached our Check No. 1945 in the amount of \$950.00 in payment for:

Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$110.00) [\$55.00].

Extension fee for response within second month pursuant to \$1.136(a) (\$420.00) [\$210.00].

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XX Extension fee for response within third month
pursuant to \$1.136(a) (\$950.00) [\$475.00].

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 16-0331. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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